(d) if so, the clarifications from DCGI in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir. Intermediates, which are not covered within the definition of drugs under Section 3 (b) of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act and meant for manufacture of bulk drugs do not require Registration under he Notification No. GSR 604(E) dated 24-8-2001.

(b) A drug even if used as a raw material for the manufacture of other drugs requires registration under the new regulation. However, registration requirements are considered on the basis of the nature of the product.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The matter is under examination.

Spurious Ayurvedic and Unani Medicines

2736. SHRI AMAR SINGH :

SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that it is not Allopathic drugs atone that have spurious competition but spurious Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Unani medicines are also available in plenty;

(b) if so, the number of persons, dealing in production and distribution of spurious Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Unani medicines, arrested during the last two years; and

(c) the number of persons, who were involved in the smuggling of spurious drugs to various countries, arrested during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

AIDS control legislation

2737. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government intend to enact a legislation to promote AIDS control in the country;